

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Request for Continued Examination:

The applicant respectfully requests continued examination of the above-indicated
5 application as per 37 CFR 1.114.

The amendments made to the claims in the above section are over the last entered amendment filed October 26, 2005.

10 2. Rejection of claims 1-7 and 9-13 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claims 1-7, 9-13, and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lebby taken with Yang in view of Yamazaki et al., all of record.

Response:

15 The applicant would like to point out the patentable differences between claim 1 and the cited prior art. Claim 1 recites that a transparent adhesive layer is used to hold together a first reaction layer and a second reaction layer, wherein the first and second reaction layers each comprise material selected from a group consisting of SiNx, Ti, and Cr. Additionally, claim 1 has been amended to recite that the transparent adhesive
20 layer comprises at least one material selected from a group consisting of PI, BCB, and PFCB. This limitation is taken from claim 9, and no new matter is added through this amendment to claim 1.

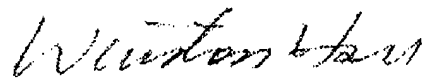
The Examiner states that the combination of Lebby, Yang, and Yamazaki teach
25 that Ti and Cr can enhance adhesion between the first and second reaction layers and the transparent adhesive layer. However, the prior art does not teach that Ti or Cr can improve adhesion with material containing PI, BCB, or PFCB. That is, the prior art does not teach that first and second reaction layers comprising SiNx, Ti, or Cr enhances adhesion with a transparent adhesive layer comprising PI, BCB, or PFCB.

30 Although Yang and Yamazaki teach the materials Ti, Cr, and BCB, none of the

prior art references teach adhering reaction layers comprising SiNx, Ti, or Cr with a transparent adhesive layer comprising PI, BCB, or PFCB as is claimed in the currently amended claim 1. For these reasons, claim 1 is patentably distinguished from the prior art combination. Claims 2-7, and 9-13 are dependent on claim 1, and should be
5 allowed if claim 1 is allowed. Reconsideration of claims 1-7 and 9-13 is respectfully requested.

Sincerely yours,

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